GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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PERFORMANCE OF NGOS IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether several Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) are working in the rural areas of the country under the centrally sponsored schemes;

(b)if so, the present details thereof alongwith the funds allocated to each of them, State-wise ;

(c) the results achieved from the schemes run by them during the last two years, State-wise ;

(d) whether the Government is satisfied with their performance ;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the steps taken by the Government in this direction ?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT(DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) to (f) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement as referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No.430 for reply on 04th May 2007.

(a) to (f) Under the Swaranjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY), a centrally sponsored scheme of the Ministry of Rural Development, the Non-governmental Organisations (NGOs) work as facilitators working closely with the communities at grassroots level and have a critical role in the group formation and its development. This scheme is implemented by the State Governments and the District Rural Development Agencies (DRDAs). Under SGSY, Ministry of Rural Development does not keep a record of the names of the NGOs nor does it monitor the performance of the NGOs at the Central level. The guidelines of the SGSY stipulate that Rs.10, 000 would be payable to the NGOs for formation and development of Self Help Groups. Though this amount is the maximum ceiling, however, the actual amount may be decided by the District Level SGSY Committee based on the local prevailing situations. Additionally, under the SGSY Special Projects, the DRDAs may involve the NGOs for undertaking project related activities.

Ministry of Rural Development also releases funds to NGOs from the budget of SGSY for UNDP assisted project, namely, Social Mobilization Around Natural Resource Management for Poverty Alleviation. The funds are reimbursed by UNDP to Controller of Aid Accounts and Audit (CAAA). This externally aided scheme under UNDP commenced in 2003-04 is being implemented in 11 selected districts of 3 States namely Rajasthan, Jharkhand and Orissa through 17 NGOs. The details are at Annexure-I.

Under Rural Housing, there were two schemes of Ministry of Rural Development, namely, Innovative Stream for Rural Housing and Habitat Development and Rural Building Centres (RBC) under which funds were also sanctioned to NGOs. These Schemes have been discontinued with effect from

1.4.2004. However, the pending projects of these schemes are being funded. Under Innovative Stream for Rural Housing and Habitat Development, Rs. 53.45 lakh have been released during the last two years, as per list placed at Annexure-II. Under Rural Building Centres Scheme, Rs. 37.62 lakh have been released during this period as per list placed at Annexure-III. The Government is satisfied with the performance of the NGOs. Utilization Certificates and Audit Reports are invariably obtained before release of further installments of funds under these schemes. Physical inspections are also carried out by the officers of this Ministry and/or HUDCO, from time to time.

Ministry of Rural Development has also invited proposals through Expression of Interest from NGOs that are engaged with the issues and processes of NREGA for undertaking the tasks of capacity building of local rural communities to access their entitlements and assert their rights under NREGA in select NREGA districts.

Annexure as referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 430 due for reply on 04.05.2007.

Year-wise allocation & release (Budget)

(Rs. in Lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of Agency	Name of the State	Total UNDP Share	Total Release upto March, 07
1	PRADAN	Jharkhand	315.05	242.09
2	LGSS	Jharkhand	84.87	67.61
3	FEMALE	Jharkhand	37.01	29.66
4	AAA	Jharkhand	99.98	76.80
5	KSRA	Jharkhand	95.90	82.86
6	VLKALPA	Orissa	212.92	164.09
7	LOKADURSTI	Orissa	213.07	194.58
8	WIDA	Orissa	145.55	107.83
9	AMMA	Orissa	132.07	102.15
10	ASTHA	Rajasthan-	150.84	128.22
11	FES	Rajasthan-	114.10	89.50
12	ARAVALI	Rajasthan-	224.75	200.39
13	SAMARTHAK	Rajasthan-	49.23	39.54
14	BAIF	Rajasthan-	65.02	52.34
15	SANKALP	Rajasthan-	133.01	102.31
16	GVT	Rajasthan -	50.00	42.86
17	CECOEDEDCON	Rajasthan -	79.99	53.94
	Total		2203.36	1776.77